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D. REMARKS

Claims 1-18 remain pending in this application.

The examiner has objected to the specification because of a typographical error.

Amendment to the specification has been made herein to overcome this objection.

The examiner has stated that the line numbers in the claims do not correspond to the preferred format. Applicant has the understanding that the word processing program used by Applicant can not produce the line numbering in the preferred format. Applicant respectfully requests the examiner's mercy as to this issue.

The examiner has rejected claims 1-18 under 35 USC 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. Applicant has amended the claims to ensure proper antecedent basis for the links in claim 13 and to specify which data processing system is performing the steps in other claims. The amendment to the claims overcome this rejection.

The examiner has rejected claims 1-18 under 35 USC 102(e) as being anticipated by Dutta (6,539,424 B1). Applicants have amended the claims to more clearly claim that a different resource is sent where the content of the different resource is a *combination* of the content of the requested resource and at least a portion of the content of the prerequisite resource: "sending a different resource having a content combining the requested resource content and at least a portion of content of at least one prerequisite resource if the requested resource requires the prerequisite resource." Dutta does not teach

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that content of the requested resource is sent in combination with content of the prerequisite resource. Dutta teaches that the prerequisite resource is sent. Dutta teaches that only a sequence of links for the client to follow to get to the requested resource are sent along with the prerequisite resource. In Dutta, the content of the requested resource is not sent with the content of the prerequisite resource.

The combination of content is found in each independent claim. No new matter has been added. Support in the specification is found at page 12 beginning with line 14, and at page 14 beginning at line 9.

All of the other claims depend from independent claims that contain this limitation. As such, these other claims are not taught by Dutta for the same reasons as discussed above for the independent claims.

The examiner's comments with respect to claims 9-12 are not well founded. Nowhere in Dutta could Applicants find where Dutta teaches merging the content of the prerequisite resource with the content of the requested resource. The cited locations in Dutta do not disclose this. To the contrary, Dutta teaches away from any such combination of content by teaching that the prerequisite page is sent along with a link to follow to get to the requested page.

In view of the foregoing, withdrawal of the rejections and the allowance of the current pending claims is respectfully requested. If the Examiner feels that the pending

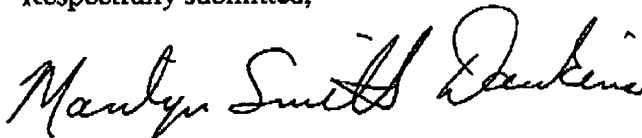
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claims could be allowed with minor changes, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned to discuss an Examiner's Amendment.

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